

ISDH INJURY PREVENTION ADVISORY COUNCIL – March 2, 2006

Agenda:

1. Introductions and review of minutes from December 1, 2005
2. Report from ISDH – Charlene Graves
 - CD-ROMs still available: Injuries in Indiana Report, Violence and Injury Prevention Resource Directory
 - Core Competencies for Injury Prevention information (Handout)
 - State Trauma/EMS Leadership Meeting, Feb. 22-24, 2006
 - a. Model Trauma System Planning and Evaluation – Injury Related Portion (Handout)
 - b. Trauma System Fact Sheets (Handout)
 - Indiana DVD on Trauma Centers – Stephanie Mattes, St. Mary's Hospital
3. Indiana Data – 2003 Fatal Injury Rates, Ages 0-4 - Dawn Daniels, Joanne Martin
Powerpoint Slide Presentation (Handout)
4. Alliance for Injury Prevention Proposal – Karen Stroup
5. Reports and announcements from Council members
 - Statewide Injury Prevention Conference, May 16-17 (Handout)

REMINDER: Meeting dates for 2006 are June 1, September 7, December 7

Minutes:

Present: Dawn Daniels, Anna Deahl, Judith Ganser, Charlene Graves, Spencer Grover, Jodi Hackworth, Matthew Howard, Lori Lovett, Joanne Martin, Stephanie Mattes, Heather McCabe, Keisha Nickolson, Karen Stroup, Serifatu Walton

Stephanie Mattes from St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville was welcomed as a new member of the Council and self-introductions were done. The minutes from the December 1st meeting were approved as written. Copies of the ISDH CD-ROMs of the injury data report and the violence and injury prevention resource directory were distributed.

ISDH Injury Prevention Program Report

Charlene Graves reviewed information in the meeting packet related to core competencies for injury prevention. Discussion of how to best utilize this information: seems most useful for curriculum development, particularly for an MPH course on injury prevention; could be useful for injury prevention programs or organizations but not felt to be very helpful for case managers. It was decided that the Council could use the Self-Assessment tool to help us assess Indiana's progress in injury prevention. Charlene will **obtain an electronic copy of the tool for all Council members, who will then use it to provide feedback to ISDH within a month.** At the June Council meeting, we will then review the results of the assessment and identify gaps and priorities.

Indiana Trauma System Development

A report on trauma system development activities led to discussion related to SB 284, which would designate ISDH as the lead state agency for trauma system development,

including a state trauma registry and a procedures and standards for designation of hospitals as trauma centers. Matthew Howard and Spencer Grover provided updated information on the current legislative status of this bill. The Indiana Trauma System Fact Sheet provides a synopsis of information that has proven useful. The recent State Trauma/EMS Leadership Conference included the distribution of the final version of the HRSA Model Trauma System Planning and Evaluation document – a portion related to Injury Prevention assessment was distributed to Council members in attendance. Unfortunately, HRSA staff reported that no Congressional appropriations were made for trauma system development, so that the ISDH 3-year HRSA grant of \$40,000 per year actually ends this year (2005-06). Since ISDH has no CDC Injury Prevention grant at this time, some activities previously discussed at Advisory Council meetings have had to be curtailed. However, it is still likely that an Injury Epidemiologist, the key person needed, will be hired through MCH funding.

Indiana DVD on Trauma Centers

Stephanie Mattes described the DVD titled “When Minutes Matter” that St. Mary’s Hospital recently completed. This DVD was previewed at the ISDH Trauma System Task Force a month ago, and a few changes made after that showing. The DVD was viewed by the Council members at this meeting, with all agreeing that it told a powerful story and is an excellent educational tool. One suggestion made was to add a printed overlay of Indiana statistics on child restraint use to the scene that shows the booster seat. Keisha Nickolson will supply Stephanie with the needed information for that. Copies of the DVD will be available in the future, and it may be helpful to show it at the state Injury Prevention Conference sponsored by Safe Kids on May 16-17th. The DVD is modeled on a similar DVD developed by the America Trauma Society.

High Indiana Injury Death Rate in Young Children

Dawn Daniels presented Indiana data from 2003, showing that Indiana has the third highest rate in the U.S. for injury deaths of children age 0-4 years, although death rates are also elevated for Hoosiers 65 years and older. For young children, the increased rate involves both unintentional and intentional injuries, with a large portion of unintentional injury deaths in children less than 1 year of age due to suffocation. This led to a discussion of what should be done to further analyze this problem and try to impact it. Death certificate review of the 45 cases involved (39 died from suffocation) might provide additional information. Dr. Ganser suggested that a work group be formed to develop a report and recommendations. The work group members proposed are: Beth Johnson of ISDH (Fetal-Infant Mortality Review), Dr. Debbie Givan (Chair of the SIDS Advisory Council), Dawn Daniels (Injury-Free Coalition for Kids), Joanne Martin (Healthy Families), Dr. Antoinette Laskey (Chair, Indiana Child Fatality Review Team), and Barbara Himes (Chair, Indiana Perinatal Network). As a report is developed it can then be jointly issued by the Council and the MCH Program.

State Alliance for Injury Prevention

Karen Stroup described concepts of a state Alliance for Injury Prevention. She noted that such an organization would assist the visibility of injury prevention, perhaps lead to funding (through corporate partners or other sources), and suggested that the Council

could be instrumental in helping to establish such an Alliance. She noted that school nurses find their list serv to be a good communication tool, and there is a great need to share information. We need continuing examination of injury data to help determine priorities.

Joanne Martin suggested that an initial organizational meeting for all possible constituencies would be important. Charlene described the growth of the Indiana Suicide Prevention Coalition as a model, with Lori Lovett noting that the Coalition developed a mission statement and a State Plan, and continues to do needs assessments. Heather McCabe noted that suicide is one specific injury problem, so is somewhat less complex, suggesting that a definition of injury is needed and thought needs to be given as to how different interest groups within injury prevention would interact. Serifatu suggested that injury prevention could have a closer link with the many exercise activities being promoted by INSHAPE INDIANA. After discussion, Charlene offered to develop a list serv, Karen will review the draft State Injury Plan, and the Mission Statement posted on the ISDH Injury Prevention Program website will be reviewed.

Announcements/Reports from Council Members

- Anna Deahl: March is Nutrition Awareness Month; May is Older Americans Month
- Lori Lovett: Conference on April 25 for faith leaders on suicide prevention and firearm injury at Christian Theological Seminary, no fee, sponsored by Clarian. More information on the Partnership website: www.ippvid.org.
- Dawn Daniels: grant in collaboration with Indianapolis Public Schools and Indy Parks to build a playground at School 81.
- Stephanie Mattes: Save-A-Life tour at 4 high schools in collaboration with the Evansville Police Department, uses simulator on the effects of alcohol intake.
- Karen Stroup: Recommended the Minnesota model for Healthy Tobacco-Free community, check out that website, involved many college campuses in MN. Working with Clarissa Snapp of DOE as a resource for school safety specialists. Looking for schools to partner with for RISK WATCH curriculum use.
- Keisha Nickolson: The SAFE KIDS state Injury Prevention conference, combined with the Riley Hospital Automotive Safety Conference is May 16-17 at Fort Benjamin Harrison. Jeannette Fennel will give a presentation on back-over injuries in children. There will be a panel of manufacturers of child safety seats. She needs nominees for the annual awards presented at this conference. Information is available at www.preventinjury.org. Noted that Indiana is the 13th most dangerous state for childhood pedestrian injuries and SAFE KIDS grant funds are available for this problem.
- Serifatu Walton: The Marion County SAFE KIDS chapter held a retreat in January. Preparation for "health fair season" is in progress. May 6-13 is National SAFE KIDS week, the theme this year is "Safe Pools for Safe Kids".
- Other: regarding the question of data on dog-bite injuries, Charlene said that these injuries are reportable to public health. At ISDH, there is no one to enter and maintain the database on the large volume of such injuries. It was suggested that an MPH student might be able to do this. (Addendum: Charlene checked with Dr. Jim Howell, he would prefer someone at ISDH be permanently assigned to this).